



Application No. 10/022,726
Docket No.: R&H 03-12; DN: 51962 (ACT - 176)

Art Unit: 2874
Examiner: Scott A. Knauss

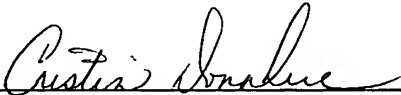
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: : Group Art Unit: 2874
David W. Sherrer, et al. :
Serial No.: 10/022,726 : Examiner: Scott A. Knauss
Filed: December 20, 2001 :
For: OPTICAL SWITCH ASSEMBLY WITH :
FLEX PLATE AND METHOD FOR :
MAKING :

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2003, please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice or disclaimer, as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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